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Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- Amendment and Response to Office Action Dated July 27, 2004 (9 pages);
- Amendment Transmittal Letter (1 page); 2.
- Check Number: 2177 in the amount of \$339.00; 3.
- Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time (1 page); 4.
- Check Number 2176 in the amount of \$215.00 to cover the extension fee; and 5.
- Return Postcard. 6.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (212) 935-3000, New York, New York.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or to credit any overpayment, to the undersigned's account, Deposit Account No. 50-0311 Ref. No. 27373-501 UTIL. Please address all correspondence to customer number 35437. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed herewith.

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